

California Water Plan Update 2013 Comments

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To whom it may concern:

Attached are our previous comments which still apply to the current Water Plan Update 2013.

At this time, we have no further comments and look forward to continuing to work in collaboration with State Parks on this plan.

Thanks,

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Recommendations

The County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreations - Development Division makes the following recommendations to the California Water Plan Update 2013:

- Implement stormwater management devices/techniques into open space and/or parks to address water quality and quantity issues. Stormwater can be redirected from impervious surfaces such as roads, driveways, sidewalks, rooftops and into open space/park land where stormwater devices such as vegetated swales, retention areas, infiltration basins, and porous pavement capture runoff, remove pollutants and recharge aquifers.
- Work to improve sand flow for natural beach replenishment by reestablishing soft bottom creeks and rivers, removing dams that impede sand flow and preventing groins and jetties which also impede sand flow.
- Continue to implement projects to capture storm run off and protect coastal waters.
- Maintain access to public beaches.
- Consider development of artificial reefs to prevent coastal beach and bluff erosion, and enhance opportunities for additional surfing locations.

Comments

- Include more information and goals associated with ocean sport recreation.
- There are over 1 million surfers in California – on any given weekend most beaches conducive to surfing experience great numbers of recreational users.
- Stormwater runoff and non-point source pollution have major impacts on coastal water quality.